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RHODODENDRONS AND AZALEAS

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DECATROS

THIS original hybrid flowered here at a very early age and seems to be satisfactorily hardy. The huge flowers resemble *R. decorum* in size and form, but though they retain little of the fragrance of that species they are much hardier. The colors vary from white to light rose with yellow shadings and sometimes a deep crimson spotting in the throat.

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From an experimental planting of over 700 species and varieties of Rhododendrons and Azaleas we offer the following list:

- ANNELIESAE—This hybrid of Arborescens and Calendulaceum is rather slow growing but produces fine flowers of pink to scarlet shades. In mixed colors only. 10-12 in., \$1.50
- ARBOREUM X CALOPHYTUM—This is an unproved cross that is doubtless too tender for outdoor growth in these parts. In a cool house or with good winter protection it should bear wonderful flowers. 6-12 in., \$1.00
- ATLANTICUM—This low growing, spreading native azalea was probably first offered by us. It is a stoloniferous species spreading into clumps or patches several yards in diameter. Produces its white to pure rose pink flowers very profusely when grown in the open where it seldom attains a height of more than eighteen inches—more often less than a foot—but in the shade it grows much taller and flowers less. Our stock has been propagated from the northernmost station known and is fully hardy north. 6 in. pots, \$1.00
- ATSONII=ASTROSANGUINEUM X THOMSONII—This cross of a red hybrid with a red species should produce some interesting results. 12-18 in., \$2.00
- BOULE DE NEIGE X FORTUNEI—The growth habit of these hybrids is very well filled and rounded—almost the ideal. Flowers light in color. 18-24 in., \$3.00
- BRACHYCARPUM—This fine species from Japan is all too little known and grown in the Eastern U. S. where it is quite hardy forming well shaped plants with beautiful dark green foliage and rather late creamy white flowers flushed and striped with pink. 6-12 in., \$1.00; 1-1½ ft., \$2.00; 1½-2 ft., \$3.00
- CALENDULACEUM—The Flame azalea with orange to scarlet flowers. 3 in. pots, 50c. 2 to 3 ft., \$2.50
- CALOPHYTUM—A small tree with magnificent foliage and large trusses of white or pink flowers. Needs protection here. 4 in. pots, 50c. 6 in. pots, \$1.50
- CAMPYLOCARPUM X DISCOLOR—A fine English hybrid and possibly hardy. 12-18 in., \$1.00
- CAROLID—A Carolinianum hybrid. A profuse bloomer. 12-18 in., \$2.00

CAROLINIANUM—Grows 3 to 4 feet and hardy. Early pink flowers.

2 to 3 ft., \$3.00; 1 to 2 ft., \$2.00; 6 in., 50c

CAROLINIANUM ALBUM—As above with white flowers.

2 to 3 ft., \$2.00

CATAWBIENSE—Our very hardy native with rose purple flowers.

2 to 3 ft., \$4.00; 1½ to 2 ft., \$3.00

CATAWBIENSE HYBRID SEEDLINGS—Various colors.

18-24 in., \$2.00; 6-12 in., 50c.; 1-1½ ft., \$1.00

CATAWBIENSE X FORTUNEI—A very strong growing plant with fine large leaves and flowers which are light to deeper rose in color. Where large plants are wanted for background these are fine with much better flowers than Rhod. maximum. Quite hardy.

4 in. pots, 50c.; 3-4 ft., \$5.00

CAUCASICUM—Reputedly a hardy species—and we have no doubt as to its hardiness to winter cold—yet this dwarf shrub with white flowers tinted rose is a difficult subject here. Very slow growing.

2 in. pots, 50c.

CHRYSANTHUM—Dwarf to 1 foot with pale yellow flowers. Hardy.

4-6 in., \$1.00; 6-12 in., \$1.50

CHRYSEUM—A very dwarf member of the lapponicum series with bright yellow flowers. Difficult.

3 in. pots, 75c

CONEMAUGH—A hybrid of *R. racemosum* and *R. mucronulatum* that produces its rose colored flowers abundantly very early in spring. Upright in growth. Rooted cuttings.

6-12 in., \$1.00

CONESTOGA—The outstanding characteristic of this attractive hybrid of carolinianum and racemosum is its profuse flowering habit. A rather dwarf plant with rose pink blooms.

6-12 in., \$1.00

CONEWAGO—We have had more praise for this hybrid from our friends and customers than from any other original hybrid produced here. It has many good points including hardiness and profuseness of flowering but perhaps the most noteworthy is that it blooms very early just following *R. mucronulatum* when it has a season all to itself.

6-12 in., \$1.00

DECATROS=DECORUM X ATROSANGUINEUM—See description and illustration on front cover.

2-3 ft., \$3.00

DECORUM—Grows from 12 to 20 feet with white sweet scented flowers. Flower buds rather tender.

4 in. pots, 50c

DECORUM X LODERI—Has never bloomed here.

4 in. pots, 50c

DISCOLOR—This is one of the very finest species that can be grown in our climate. It hails from west central China and has been described as “E. H. (Chinese) Wilsons’ second best discovery.” What interests us is that it is hardy in our part of the world in partially shaded woodland sites where it opens its great white or pale blush blossoms in late June. Our stock of large plants is quite exhausted and we can only offer 6-8 in. plants at \$1.00

FARGESII—A handsome shrub with pink flowers in abundance.
4 in. pots, \$1.00

FASTIGIATUM—One of the best dwarf alpine rhododendrons for the rock garden. Flowers purple or violet blue, large for so small a plant.
4 in., \$1.00

FORTUNEI—Bluish pink fragrant flowers and dependably hardy. This species becomes a tree of 15 to 20 feet. The corolla is seven lobed instead of the usual five and we strongly recommend this species. Requires some shade.

6-12 in., \$1.00; 1-1½ ft., \$2.00; 1½-2 ft., \$3.00; 2-3 ft., \$4.00

HOULSTONII—This sort coming from approximately the same regions of China as R. discolor gives promise of becoming another hardy species to add to our list. It is close to R. Fortunei but smaller in all its parts.
6-12 in., \$1.00

HINODEGIRI X POUKHANENSE—A compact growing azalea much hardier than Hinodegiri and with larger purple flowers.
12-18 in., \$1.50

HIPPOPHAEIODES—Grows to a shrub of 2 or 3 ft. with lavender blue flowers.
4 in. pots, \$1.00

INDICUM (macrantha) hybrids—Colors unknown.
10-12 in., \$1.00

JAPONICUM—Deciduous species of the azalea series with yellow to orange flowers. Hardy.
8-12 in., \$1.00

KAEMPFERI—Another Japanese azalea of pink salmon and orange shades. Evergreen in mild climates but hardy in New England where its leaves mostly fall.
2-3 ft., \$2.50

KAEMPFERI HYBRIDS—This strain developed from a hybrid of Kaempferi and Poukhanense, the two hardiest Japanese azaleas, has flowers of many shades. Standing in nursery rows in the open field during the 1933-34 winter when the temperature fell to over 20° below zero and flowering nicely speaks more for their hardiness than anything we can say. Originated and introduced by us.

2-3 ft., \$2.50; 18-24 in., \$1.50

- KEISKEI—This yellow flowered species hails from Japan and while hardy to winter cold it opens its buds so early in spring that they are sometimes caught by late frosts. Its habit is also rather open but it is about the most satisfactory of the yellows in this part of the world that we have tried so far and we have tried many.
12-18 in., \$2.00
- KELETICUM—A dwarf alpine with deep purplish crimson flowers and deeper markings.
2 in. pots, 75c
- LAETVIRENS—Late purplish pink flowers. Good foliage. 1-1½ ft., \$1.00
- LITIENSE—A yellow flowered species. Small plants. 4 in. pots, \$1.00
- LODERI—Seedlings of this “ne plus ultra” of English hybrids which seems rather tender here.
8-12 in., \$1.00
- LUTEUM—This old world azalea better known as “pontica” has fragrant yellow flowers.
6-12 in., 75c; 18-24 in., \$2.00
- MACROSEPALUM—Flowers Rose.
12-18 in., \$1.00
- MAXIMUM—Light pink or white flowers in July. Very hardy. Grown from seed we consider these superior to collected plants.
6 to 12 in., 50c; 1 to 2 ft., \$1.00; 2 to 3 ft., \$2.00
- MICRANTHUM—Hardy. Small white flowers in June in great profusion.
1½ to 2 ft., \$2.00
- MINUS—A hardy but little known American rhododendron resembling R. carolinianum but flowering in June.
2 to 3 ft., \$2.00
- MINUS X CAROLINIANUM—A hybrid which is intermediate in characters between its parents and also in time of flowering.
Seedlings 3 in. pots, .50
- MOLLIS—A popular azalea of yellow and orange shades.
10-12 in., \$1.00; 18-24 in., \$2.00
- MUCRONULATUM—Very early rose purple flowers with Forsythia Hardy.
18-24 in., \$2.00; 2-3 ft., \$3.00
- NUDIFLORUM—The common native azalea commonly but erroneously called the “bush honeysuckle.”
12-18 in., \$1.00; 18-24 in., \$1.50; 2 ft., \$2.00
- NUDIFLORUM X JAPONICUM—A very hardy hybrid with pink or rose flowers flushed with yellow and orange shades.
2-3 ft., \$2.50
- OCHRACEUM—Color unknown. Seems hardy.
6-12 in., \$1.00

- PENNSYLVANICUM—A natural hybrid of *R. atlanticum* and *R. nudiflorum*. Early fragrant white flowers. 2-3 ft., \$2.00
- PEREGRINUM—This grows to a small tree with white flowers marked with bright red spots and lines. Tender? 4 in. pots, \$1.00
- PONTICUM—Purple flowers. 18-24 in., \$1.50
- POUKHANENSE—A hardy low growing Japanese azalea with fragrant lilac tinted flowers. 1½-2 ft., \$2.50
- POUKHANENSE X HEXE—This hybrid produced here has deep red purple flowers of large size. Many of them hose in hose. 12-18 in., \$1 00; 18-24 in., \$1.50
- POUKHANENSE X LEDIFOLIA ALBA—Large flowers of pale bluish lavender heavily spotted carmine. Very hardy and good plant habit. 10-12 in., \$1.00
- RACEMOSUM 59717 Rock—We recommend this as a very hardy form of this delightful rock garden subject. Clear pink flowers in late April or early May. 6-12 in., \$1.00; 10 to 18 in., \$3.00
- RACEMOSUM 19404 FORREST—Considered the best form in England where it grows but a few inches high with bright pink flowers. Fine for rock garden. 6-12 in., \$2.00
- RACEMOSUM X KEISKEI—A dwarf with pink flowers flushed with yellow. 6-12 in., \$1.00
- RETICULATUM—Better known as azalea *Rhombica* or *dilatata*. Bright purple flowers. 1½-2 ft., \$1.00
- RHOMBICUM—See *reticulatum*.
- ROSEUM—Early fragrant pink flowers. 6-8 in., 50c
- SCHLIPPENBACHII—The largest leaves and flowers of any hardy azalea species and by many considered the loveliest when covered with its great pink flowers. 12-18 in., \$1.00; 18-24 in., \$2.00; 2-3 ft., \$3.00
We have a large stock of this and will be pleased to quote in quantity.
- SMIRNOWII—Very hardy and slow growing with rose pink flowers of good size, this species is immune from the lace wing fly. 6-12 in., \$1.00; 12-18 in., \$2.00
- SMIRNOWII HYBRIDS—These seedlings will have good size flowers of pink and rose shades. 8-12 in., \$1.00; 12-18 in., \$1 50

VASEYI—Its very early pink flowers make it one of the loveliest azaleas.
2-3 ft., \$2.00

VERNICOSUM—Clear pink fragrant flowers. Rather tender.
4 in. pots, \$1.00

WARDII—Flowers bright yellow.
4 in. pots, \$1.00

WARDII X DISCOLOR—
6 in. pots, \$2.00

RARE HOLLIES

ILEX PERNYI—A Chinese species with small dark green leaves. Grown
from cuttings. 10-12 in. plants, \$1.00

ILEX AQUIFOLIUM VAR. PYRAMIDALIS—A compact growing
variety of the English holly with fine red berries and quite hardy here.
12-18 in. plants, \$1.00



BLUEBERRIES—We offer several varieties of the new cultivated blue-
berry selections, namely Cabot, Greenfield, Grover, Harding, Rancocas
and Rubel. 1-2 ft. plants, \$1.00



As former customers will notice there are a number of species omitted
from this list that have appeared in former ones. Some have been dropped
as unsatisfactory but others have been found altogether suitable and only
await the time when a new stock is again available to reappear on our list.

We also grow a number of rare hollies, yews, firs, magnolias, spruces,
pines, etc. If interested write stating species or variety wanted and we
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